



Date: June 19, 2001

To: City Boards and Commissions Members Reviewing or Having Reviewed the Seaholm District Master Plan

From: Austan Librach, PE, AICP, Director of the Transportation, Planning & Sustainability (TPS) Department

Concerning: Deferring Consideration of Final Design of Lamar Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge Extension and Connections until after Master Plan Adoption

Due to several key changing elements in the Seaholm District that bear upon alignment and final disposition of the Lamar Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge extension, TPS is withdrawing consideration of this element from that of the Seaholm Master Plan itself. We will conduct a focused alternatives study conducted with stakeholders for the bridge extension and its critical connections to other area trails and bikeways once the Seaholm Master Plan has been reviewed and adopted by City Council. This effort will be informed by that of the Lance Armstrong Bikeway, which is only now in a preliminary design stage, and will culminate with a final engineered design of the preferred alternative.

In your consideration, therefore, of the Seaholm District Master Plan, please be aware that this issue will be fully addressed after adoption of the Plan and will become an adopted amendment to it.

Seaholm Master Plan – Land and Facilities Subcommittee recommendations 6/19/2001

Recommend that the Board recommend that Council not approve the Seaholm Master Plan at this time for the following reasons:

- 1.) With respect to the Sand Beach Reserve parkland and development of trails, this is not a Master Plan as that term is used for park planning and prior actions of the Parks Board (compare Town Lake Master Plan, Shoal Creek Action plan, Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Park Action plan) because of the uncertainties about whether portions of or the entire plan can and/or will be implemented as explained below.
- 2.) The funding for the Seaholm plant redevelopment and the accompanying plan for the parkland is not in place and the plan acknowledges that the future use of Seaholm is uncertain.
- 3.) Use of the Sand Beach reserve parkland is uncertain for example, under the Plan, one section might be an "events green" or parking for Seaholm, dependent upon the Seaholm plant's use (that use drives the need for and the number of parking places).
- 4.) Bicycle trail network, including the Lance Armstrong cross town bikeway route and the connection to the new Pfluger bicycle and pedestrian bridge and the effects of this network on the parkland, is presently unfixed (recent memo on Seaholm master plan says master plan will not consider the latter and we believe plan should include this item).
- 5.) Under settlement agreement, LIC to give the City Parcel A and B as defined under the agreement and assist the City with purchasing the Union Pacific Tract. This is all dependent upon LIC getting CURE zoning overlay approval which it has not yet gotten. Furthermore, whether the City will be able to acquire the Union Pacific Tract, a key element of the Master Plan for the area surrounding the Seaholm plant, is uncertain.

Also made the further recommendations:

We further recommended that in no event should a portion of the parkland be used for parking. (We have a further concern that this parking will become parking for the commercial establishments in the LIC development complex to the exclusion of the public – this problem is similar to the current situation at the Walsh boat landing)

In the absence of redevelopment and use of the Seaholm plant, the only change to the parkland area under the plan that might occur is the reconfiguration of Sandra Muraida Way. This would create a grand entrance to the LIC private development project but would not serve to enhance the public use of the parkland in any way. This reconfiguration is not required by the settlement agreement. We recommend that the Board recommend that Council not approve the reconfiguration of Sandra Muraida Way at this time.

Finally, we recommended that Council reconsider the feasibility of purchasing the LIC property for use for a public purpose.

Board members present at meeting: Rosemary Castleberry, Mary Ruth Holder, Amy Babich



MEMORANDUM

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TO:

Parks Board Members

FROM:

Jesus M. Olivares, Director

Parks and Recreation Department

DATE:

June 22, 2001

SUBJECT:

Memorial Park Area for J. J. "Jake" Pickle

In honor of the service and commitment of the Honorable J.J. (Jake) Pickle, a private non-profit community organization, the Shady Ladys, has raised funds to develop park improvements between the YMCA and Cesar Chavez Road.

The following public amenities are proposed: outdoor pavilion, plaza, walkways and benches, a peach orchard and other plantings. The improvements will be constructed at no cost to the City. In order to expedite the project, the Watershed Protection Department will request City Council to waive certain Land Development Code Requirements pertaining to water quality, flood plain, Waterfront Overlay and Conditional Use Permits. In addition to being an area of honor recognizing the many years of hard work that former Representative Pickle gave to the 10th Congressional District, these amenities will beautify a portion of Town Lake Park and be used by residents and visitors alike.

Recommendation:

I recommend that the Parks and Recreation Department accept these improvements.

Jesus M. Olivares, Director

Parks and Recreation Department



Austin Parks and Recreation June 2001

June	Coalition of Austin Black Artists: Ph#397-1468	Dougherty Arts Center
June 1-2	Ballet Under the Stars: Ph#397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
June 2	Splash Party Movie Nights: Muppets from Space Ph#476-4521	Deep Eddy Pool
June 2-3	Men's Garden Club Show: Ph#477-8672	Zilker Botanical Gardens
June 3	Gardening: Ph#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
June 3	Summer Concert Series: Ph#397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
June 5	Father's Day Pool Tournament: Ph#478-7695	Conley-Guerrero Senior Center
June 5	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
June 6,13,	Jump on it: Ph#472-6838	Rosewood Park
June 7	Summer Carnival: Ph#441-4777	Dittmar Recreation Center
June 8	Bowling at the Millennium: Ph#480-3000	Senior Support Services
June 9	Splash Party Movie Nights: The Adventures of Rocky &Bullwinkle Ph#476	-4521 Deep Eddy Pool
June 9	Prayer Breakfast: contact Doris Kingston 480-3000 M	illennium Youth Entertainment Center
June 10	Summer Concert Series: Ph#397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
June 10	Leather Working: Ph#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
June 10	Sunday in the Park: Ph#928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
June 11-15	Alamo Cheerleader Camp: 474-2806	Alamo Recreation Center
June 12	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
June 12	Father's Day Program: Ph#478-7695	Conley-Guerrero Senior Center
June 14	Park Police Basketball Challenge: Ph#928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
June 14-17,21-2	4,28 George Franklin Productions- The List: Ph#397-1468	Dougherty Arts Center
June 15	Juneteenth Pageant: Ph#928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
June 15	Juneteenth Teen Dance: 474-2806	Alamo Recreation Center
June 15-16	Summer Concert Series: 8-10pm Ph#397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
June 16	Juneteenth Celebration and Dominos Tourny: Ph#447-5875	Dove Springs Recreation Center
June 16	Splash Party Movie Nights:-The Kid Ph#476-4521	Deep Eddy Pool
June 16	Grand opening "Bridge": Ph#499-6700	
June 16	Juneteenth Gospel Festival: Ph#480-3014	Rosewood Park
June 16-17	Juneteenth Men's Basketball Tournament: Ph#472-6838	Rosewood Recreation Center
June 17	Fathers Day Concert: Ph#397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
June 17	Field to Food: Wild grapes & other fruits made into treats. Ph#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
June 18-22	Alamo Basketball Camp: 474-2806	Alamo Recreation Center
June 18	Intergenerational JuneteenthCelebration: Ph#480-3014	Rosewood Park
June 19	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
June 19	Juneteenth Festival & Parade: Ph#480-3014	Rosewood Park
June 19-July 31	Pools-Black and White Exhibition-Ph#397-1468	Dougherty Arts Center
June 22	Summer Carnival: Ph#458-4107	Northwest Recreation Center
June 23	Splash Party Movie Nights: Creature from Black Lagoon Ph#476-4521	Deep Eddy Pool
June 24	Summer Concert Series: Ph#397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
June 24	Dairy Day: Come milk the family cow. Ph#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
June 25-29	Rogers Follies Rehearsals: Ph#397-1463	Zilker Hillside Theater
June 26	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
June 28	Summer Carnival: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
June 30	Splash Party Movie Nights: A Hard Days Night Ph#476-4521	Deep Eddy Pool



Austin Parks and Recreation July 2001

July	Black and White Exhibition by Shelley West: Ph#397-1455	Julia C. Butridge Gallery
July -Sept.	Coalition of Austin Black Artist: Ph#472-4809	Carver Museum
July 2-31	Arts Camp: Ph#397-1458	Dougherty Arts School
July 1	Karate Tournament: Ph#928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
July 1	Storytelling/midsummer picnic: Ph#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
July 1-2	Firecracker Tournament: Ph#926-1298	Morris Williams Golf Course
July 2	Registration for youth/teen Creativity Club: Ph#397-1458	Dougherty Arts School
July 2-3	Cherry Creek Junior: Ph#480-3020	Bergstrom Golf Course
July 3	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
July 3	Fourth of July Picnic: Ph#478-7695	Conley-Guerrero Senior Center
July 4	Jump on it: Ph#472-6838	Rosewood Park
July 5	Austin Junior Golf Clinic: Ph#926-1298	Morris Williams Golf Course
July 5-22	Arsenic and Old Lace-Onstage Theater Company: Ph#397-1468	Dougherty Art Center Theater
July 6	Alamo Summer Carnival: 474-2806	Alamo Recreation Center
July 6-8	Will Roger's Follies Musical: Ph#397-1463	Dougherty Arts Center
July 7	Splash Party Movie Nights: Willie Wonka.Ph#476-4521	Deep Eddy Pool
July 8	With Needle and Thread: The art of women's handiwork. Ph#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
July 9	Austin Junior Golf Clinic: Ph#530-4653	Bergstrom Golf Course
July 9-13	Space Camp: Ph#391-1863	Comacho Recreation Center
July 10	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
July 10-11	Tom Kite Tournament: Ph#926-1298	Morris Williams Golf Course
July 11	Jump on it: Ph#472-6838	Rosewood Park
July 12	Austin Junior Golf Clinic: Ph#477-6963	Lions Municipal Golf Course
July 12-15	Will Roger's Follies Musical: Ph#397-1463	Dougherty Arts Center
July 13	Summer Carnival: Ph#926-3491	Dottie Jordan Recreation Center
July 13	Teen Night: Ph#458-4107	Northwest Recreation Center
July 13-15	TAAF Girls 12& under: Ph#480-3015	Athletics
July 14	Alamo Soul Food Volunteer BBQ: 474-2806	Alamo Recreation Center
July 14	Splash Party Movie Nights: Remember the Titans .Ph#476-4521	Deep Eddy Pool
July 14-15	Youth Basketball Tournament: Ph#472-7142	Parque Zaragoza Recreation Center
July 15	Sunday in the Park: Ph#928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
July 15	Field to Food: Ph#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
July 16	Austin Junior Golf Clinic: Ph#444-4653	Jimmy Clay Golf Course
July 17	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
July 17	Safety Camp: Ph#928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
July 17-18	Kizer JuniorTournament: Ph#926-1298	Morris Williams Golf Course
July 17-20	Field Biology:study geology, botany, paleonthology&ornithology.Ph#327-8181	
July 18	Jump on it: Ph#472-6838	Rosewood Park
July 19	Summer Talent Show: Ph#444-6601	South Austin Recreation Center
July 19	4th Annual 3 on 3 Co-ed Summer Teen Basketball Tournament: Ph#441-477	
July 19	Austin Junior Golf Clinic: Ph#926-1298	Morris Williams Golf
July 19-22	Will Roger's Follies Musical: Ph#397-1463	Dougherty Arts Center
July 20	Summer Carnival 1-3pm: Ph#476-5662	Austin Recreation Center
July 20-22	ASA Girls Fast Pitch Regional: Ph#480-3015	Athletics
July 21	Splash Party Movie Nights: Rugrats in Paris.Ph#476-4521	Deep Eddy Pool
July 22	Outdoor Basketball Tournament: Ph#928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
July 22	Dairy Day:. Ph#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
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July 23	Austin Junior Golf Clinic: Ph#530-4653	Bergstrom Golf Course
July 24	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center
July 24-26	Austin African American Firefighter Basketball Camp: Ph#928-1982	Givens Recreation Center
July 24-26	Junior City Championship: PeeWee 9-10,11-12. Ph#926-1298	Morris Williams Golf Course
July 24-26	Junior City Championship: 13-14, 15-26, 17-18. Ph#926-1298	Morris Williams Golf Course
July 24-27	Marine Mysteries: explore aquatic life-ages 11-13	Austin Nature and Science Center
July 25	Jump on it: Ph#472-6838	Rosewood Park
July 26	Animals Lovers: learn how animals in captivity are taken care of: Ph#327-818	1 Austin Nature and Science Center
July 26-29	Will Roger's Follies Musical: Ph#397-1463	Dougherty Arts Center
July 28	Splash Party Movie Nights: The Grinch Movie .Ph#476-4521	Deep Eddy Pool
July 28	Jiu _ Jitsu Tournament: Ph#472-7142 Parque	Zaragoza Recreation Center
July 28-Aug 5	Ranger Doolahy's Wildlife Jamboree-Violet Crown Players: Ph#397-1468	Dougherty Arts Center Theater
July 29	Prairie Sweets: Turn fruits and plants into sweets Ph.#837-1215	Pioneer Farm
July 30	Austin Junior Golf Clinic: Ph#477-6963	Lions Municipal Golf Course
July 31	Summer Hillside Concerts: Ph#476-9193	Pan American Recreation Center

Alternative Alignments for Completing the Pfluger Bike/Ped Bridge

Offered by Austin Metro Trails & Greenways June 24, 2001

This document outlines the pros and cons of six possible alignments for completing the Pfluger Bike/Ped Bridge over Town Lake. The descriptions of these alignments are offered as examples of how the bridge may be completed and are intended only to stimulate discussions aimed at reaching consensus on how the final alignment for the bridge. These alternatives assume that the Lance Armstrong Crosstown Bikeway (LACB) will be installed along 3d Street north of Seaholm and the Union Pacific Railroad tracks with a signalized crossing of the UP tracks west of Lamar and a crossing to the Lumbermen's Investment Corporation/LBJ Holding Company (LIC/LBJ) development on the south side of the railroad bridge.

Northwest: This alignment would extend over Cesar Chavez for an at-grade landing at Sandra Muraida and would include a signalized intersection at Sandra Muraida & Lamar. A sidewalk trail would continue north along Lamar to the south side of the UP tracks.

Pro

- Allows direct access to Sandra Muraida, parkland, and LIB/LBJ development.
- Allows for access across Lamar.
- As seen from Lamar, the bridge's minimal profile would protect views of Seaholm.

Con

- There is insufficient distance between Sandra Muraida and the UP tracks to achieve the five percent grade required by the American's with Disability Act (ADA).
- There is a concern that a signalized intersection at Sandra Muraida & Lamar would cause peak traffic northbound over the Lamar Bridge to back-up to Riverside Dr.

Northwest Elevated: This alignment would be elevated over both Sandra Muraida and Cesar Chavez and would land at the south side of the UP tracks.

Pro

- Provides direct access to the LACB and the LIC/LBJ development.
- ADA compliant.
- Would not include any intersection crossings.
- Would have minimal impact on automobile traffic.

Con

- The bridge would have a high profile that may obstruct views of Seaholm from Lamar.
- The lengthy elevated span would likely be expensive.
- Would not provide direct access to the parkland between Sandra Muraida and Cesar Chavez.

Northwest Tunnel: This alignment would be elevated over Cesar Chavez and would land near the intersection of Sandra Muraida & Lamar and would include a curving ramp or sidewalk down to a tunnel beneath Sandra Muraida. A sidewalk path would then continue north along Lamar to the south side of the UP tracks.

Pro

- Would provide direct access to Sandra Muraida, parkland, and the LIC/LBJ development.
- Would have a low profile.
- Would have a minimal traffic impact.